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MEMORANDUM FOR: Bob Gates, NIO/USSR

FROM:

Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT:

Request from Senator Jesse Helms

Regarding the estimate Jesse Helms asked for on the effect of the price of gold on the Soviet Union, it occurred to me that while it is being done it might be extended to evaluate also the ability of, the burden to, and the cost to the Soviet Union of increasing its gold production, which might occur because the price of gold comes down or other hard currency sources are diminished.

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Attachment: Ltr to DCI from Senator Helms, dtd 1 Dec 81 (ER 81-8917)

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